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HIGHWAY PATROL DETAIL TO FOCUS ON VISIBILITY AND ENFORCEMENT

In light of last year's collision statistics, **Highway Patrol** officers from the **Arizona Department of Public Safety** will be paying close attention to the driving behavior of motorists on I-10 in the west valley between 99th Avenue and SR85.

Of the 633 crashes **DPS** investigated in that 20-mile stretch last year, 11 involved fatalities.

An enforcement detail focusing on **collision reduction** and **hazardous moving violations** will begin Friday. Motorists should expect to see aggressive enforcement of traffic laws and a high concentration of officers in the area.

Enforcement efforts of this type, typically, result not only in a decreased number of crashes, but also in drug and alcohol related arrests, stolen vehicle recoveries, and the apprehension of wanted persons.

Four **unpublicized** enforcement dates are scheduled between February 25th and March 18th.

Contact information is listed above.